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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 17, 2002, Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments and remarks in the above-identified application.

IN THE CLAIMS:

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Please cancel claim 14 without prejudice.

REMARKS

Claim 14 has been cancelled. Claims 1-13 and 15-16 are now pending.

Reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the amendments above and the remarks following is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-15 were subject to a restriction requirement as set forth on page 2 of the Office Action. Applicants elect to prosecute the claims of Group I, claims 1-13 and 15-16. To expedite prosecution, Applicants have, by the present amendments, canceled the non-elected claim 14 without prejudice.